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RIVERVIEW Neighborhood Association

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UPDATE: The A&P Closing

On Saturday, October 15th, the A & P store on Palisade Avenue closed its doors for the last time. There was no announcment or explanation from the store's management. Despite RNA's many offers to help revitalize the sagging sales, the store's managment closed down the only large supermarket in our local neighborhood.

To compound this problem, RNA has learned that Christ Hospital is considering buying the property that housed the A & P and convert it to a clinic for Medicaid patients. The Hospital recently announced its intentions to start a residency program in the area in coordination with the University Hospital of Dentistry and Medicine in Newark. Paul Hoyt, the Hospital's President, stated that they are looking for a suitable location in the Heights on either Palisade, Central, or Newark Avenues or the State Highway. However, when RNA contacted Mr. Hoyt for confirmation that the Hospital was considering the A & P location, he refused to divulge any information.

As we go to press, RNA has learned that Councilman

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BRIGHT LIGHTS ON PALISADE AVENUE

On Saturday, October 22, 1994, Palisade Avenue between Ferry Street and Griffith Streets was finally lit properly for nighttime activity. PSE&G installed additional lighting, including 17 floodlights and 3 cobra lights. The floodlights are aimed at the sidewalk to illuminate the sidewalks along Palisade Avenue.

This project was coordinated between RNA, Councilman Bill Gaughan and PSE&G to allievate the continuing safety and crime problem on Palisade Avenue. Many people are afraid to walk on the Avenue because of its unlit sections. It is these same unlit sections that prevent the police from properly patrolling the Avenue for criminal activity. The purpose of this additional lighting is to illuminate the sidewalks and not the street itself.

Unfortunately, less than two hours after the lights went on for the first time, someone smashed one of the floodlights located in front of 439 Palisade Avenue (off of Griffith Street). PSE&G will replace the broken fixture and the Police Department has been notified about this criminal vandalism.

Goodbye, Mrs. Tuzzo

In our lifetime, we know people who leave a deep impression on us. Marie Tuzzo was one of those people. She was my friend and confidante. She had independance, wisdom and courage. When I went to visit her, she would always tell me a joke. When we went to Atlantic City, we always had a wonderful time. I will truly miss my friend. God bless her.

Claire Gaito

What better way for a person to be remembered, than for their friendship and goodness. Mrs. Marie Tuzzo passed away on October 20, 1994 after a long illness. Although she died in Christ Hospital, she was always surrounded by family members who took turns and stayed by her bedside each night.

"Family" is a word that will surely be used to describe Mrs. Tuzzo. But not just the traditonal concept of a close-knit Italian family of children, grandchildren, greatchildren, sisters, nieces and nephews. Her neighborhood and the local community were also family to Mrs. Tuzzo. Everyone who moved onto her block or was a member of our organization knew her and loved her. She was a well-known person who always made her presence and opinion known. She was always talking to the children and teenagers on her block and never hesitated to scold

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COMING EVENTS

RNA MEETING:

Tuesday, November 8th AT 7:15 PM

AT THE HARBOR VIEW HEALTH CARE CENTER

DISCUSSION: Neighborhood Business

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1) **Conrad Dedication in Riverview-Fisk Park: Saturday, November 5, at 11 AM**
2) **Harbor View Holiday Party for the Residents: Friday, November 18, at 2 PM**
3) **Fall Clean-up: Friday, November 18: : Dumpsters at Ferry Street and South Streets betw. Ogden & Palisade Ave.**
4) **FOOD & TOY DRIVE: Bring contributions to the November & December RNA Meetings**

Mrs. Tuzzo

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them if necessary. Then she would then tell their parents why she had disciplined them. When there was something in the neighborhood that she disagreed with, she was forthright in announcing her view.

Mrs. Tuzzo lived in this neighborhood since 1938 when she was married and moved onto Palisade Avenue. The following year, she moved into her present Ogden Avenue residence as a tenant. Her husband and her bought the house in the 1940s where they raised three children, two boys and one daughter, Maria.

She was also a local entrepreneur who ran three businesses. In 1954, she had a candy store on Woods Place next to a trolley car diner. In the sixties, she moved to Cuneo Place and Palisade Avenue where she ran another candy store with a soda fountain service. Later in the early seventies, she helped run a sporting goods store on Central Avenue for one of her sons and his partners.

Less than two months ago, RNA lost another valuable member, Ted Conrad. If Ted could be considered the soul of RNA, it was Mrs. Tuzzo who was the heart of our neighborhood. She loved coming to our meetings. She especially enjoyed talking to local officials who were our guest speakers. She would either ask a question and demand a satisfactory answer or give her opinion or a complaint and demand a resolution. Mrs. Tuzzo was honest, level-headed and always brought a common sense approach to any RNA issue under discussion.

She always made the coffee for our meetings and made sure that there was time for socializing at each session where we could relax and just get to know each other. She was one of our original members and was always involved in one way or another in RNA. She was elected Sgt.-at-Arms for several years to keep our meetings civilized because nobody - and we mean nobody - crossed her. For many years she helped publish our monthly newsletter by collating and addressing the copies.

She was like our mother. Although we may disagree with her or sometimes disobeyed her - we always respected her. She was known throughout the neighborhood as Mrs. Tuzzo. One of the first years that RNA organized a christmas carolling, Mrs. Tuzzo dressed up as Santa Claus and entertained the children as our group sang up and down the blocks.

She is gone now but Mrs. Tuzzo will not be forgotten. She was a member of a older generation that cared about her neighborhood and practiced what she preached. Our community is better for knowing her but will be less because of her departure. Mrs. Tuzzo, we will always remember you and you will always be a member of our neighborhood.

Vito Brunetti

[Anyone interested in making a contribution in memory of Mrs. Marie Tuzzo, should send a donation to:

The Saint Francis Memorial Fund
St. Francis Parish Center
310 Jefferson Avenue
Hoboken, New Jersey.]

A & P

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Bill Gaughan has spoken to Hospital personnel and confirmed the fact that the Hospital is actively pursuing this location for purchase. Gaughan then requested a meeting between the Hospital and the community to discuss this issue before anything proceeds any further.

Councilman Gaughan also discussed the possibility of alternative uses for this site, such as the placement of the C-Town supermarket project, which is presently being discussed for Central Avenue and Laidlaw Street.

As usual, the Hospital seems to be making plans for their development expansion without any input or, more importantly, without any consideration of the effects of their projects on the local residential community. RNA would like to see a positive use for this piece of property on Palisade Avenue that will directly benefit the local residents. Therefore RNA favors a another food chain taking over the present lease or buying the property itself because of the continuing need for a large supermarket in this area.

Meeting Minutes

The October 11, 1994 meeting began with a discussion of the plans for the Fall party for the Harbor View Health Care Center residents. The date and time for the party of November 18, at 2 P.M was approved of by unanimous vote. Entertainment is to include Frank Fraga, pianist, and Tony Scarpa, magician. Party organizers, Valerie and Jack Rea, need donations of travel size toiletries, for party favors. Volunteers are needed to help at the party, and to bake dietetic items for the event. Baked items can be left off at 220 Ogden Avenue the night before the party. Motions were passed to spend $75 at the party as payment for the pianist, and to allot $50 for other party expenses.

Food items (non-perishable) and toys (new or in good repair) are needed for the annual holiday drive. Members are asked to bring these items to the meetings in November and December, or they can be dropped off at Maria Tuzzo's house (but be sure to call first). You can also donate money and specify whether you want your contribution to go towards food items or toys. All items will be given to the Salvation Army for distribution during the holiday season.

Unfortunately, there was no interest expressed for holiday carolling this year, so it will not be scheduled during the month of December.

A dedication will be held to install a plaque honoring Ted Conrad at the center court in Riverview - Fisk Park. The ceremony will be held in the Park at 11 A.M. on Saturday, November 5th. Everyone is invited to participate and say a few words.

The RNA Fall Fleamarket Fest brought in $787.26; not all expenses were in at the time, but profits are estimated at about $520. All proceeds go into the RNA Park fund. Thanks and congratulations to Clare Archer, who coordinated the event. Special thanks to Joey George, of the Dept of Cultural Affairs and Recreation, for setting up the P.A. system and to Kevin Sluka, Director of Public Works, for the cleanup crew assigned to the Park that day.

Clare proposed a detailed list of plants and proposed locations, to be purchased and planted this fall, including shrub roses, yucca filimentosa, lily of the valley, blue bells and various tulips. The estimated cost is $300; a motion was made and passed to approve the purchase. Volunteers are needed to assist in the plantings to take take during the next month.

Andrew Lancellotti, one of our Community Service Police Officers, spoke about neighborhood police concerns. Because of the rain date for the Flea Market and the subsequent short notice for our request for police coverage, Lancellotti and Curtis were not be assigned to the Park that day. Andrew also notified the group that marijuana use and sales continue in the Park; in fact, Officer John Curtis recently caught a marijuana dealer in the Park, through undercover surveillance. (Unfortunately, the purchaser escaped.)

With the approach of Halloween, Lancellotti warned of "Mischief night" and advised all residents to take extra caution.

Parking problems continue at the south end of Ogden Avenue. Also at the south end of Ogden, a hole in the fence at the cliff top allowed a route of escape for a individual being pursued by Lancellotti and Curtis. This hole was discussed at last month's meeting, with Councilpersons Gaynor and DeGise, and in earlier correspondence: repairs had been promised. There have been brush fires on the cliff, presumed to be started by persons living in the woods there.

Barbara Petrick of the Sgt. Anthony's Neighborhood Association asked about Community Service Police coverage in her neighborhood; Lancellotti has promised to follow up. In a discussion about constant car alarms on Palisade Avenue it was noted that if a car alarm sounds for less than 3 minutes at a time, it cannot be ticketed; some cars have alarm systems so sensitive that they are triggered by each passing truck. Lancellotti suggests contacting him with license plate numbers of such nuisance vehicles, so that he can contact the owners and persuade them to adjust the sensitivity of their alarms.

The Incinerator Authority has scheduled several pickup days this fall for leaf collection. Leaves must be set out in recyclable paper bags, supplied by the city. Some bags were distributed at the meeting; contact the Incinerator Authority to obtain more bags.

Harbor View Health Care Center will run its own flea market on October 26th.

The NJ Transit Light Rail system was discussed, especially the two alternative routes in Hoboken (on Frank Sinatra Drive, along the Hudson or along the Conrail tracks at the bottom of the cliff). A motion was passed for RNA to support the Conrail route and send a letter expressing its position to the NJ Transit. (A copy of the letter is reprinted on page 5).

The RNA treasury has a balance of $1,512.83. With projected expenses, it is expected that the balance will be about $1,000 at year's end. Motions were passed to reimburse Clare Archer for Flea Market expenses of $29.05, and to reimburse Kathy Packard for office supplies of $29.23.

A motion was passed to reserve the December meeting (12/13) for the annual holiday party - therefore no business will be discussed in December. Members are also asked to bring a homemade dish or desert (but, please - no alcohol).

Maria Tuzzo asked to be informed of names of members who have moved away - so she can remove them from the newsletter mailing list. Also, if you know of new neighbors, give their name & address to Maria, and she will send them a complementary copy of the newsletter.

A motion was passed for RNA to arrange for two dumpsters to be available on the weekend of November 18. They will be placed at South Street and at Ferry Street between Ogden and Palisade Avenues.

The next meeting will be held on November 8th - Election Day. Don't forget to vote before coming to the meeting.

Kathy Packard, Secretary

HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

As the fall season approaches, RNA is planning its other annual festivities for the holidays.

First, there is our annual **FOOD AND TOY DRIVE** for all the unfortunate families that are not able to enjoy the holidays as we do. RNA is asking all its members, neighbors and friends to contribute to this worthy cause. We are looking for all kinds of dry or canned foodstuffs. In addition, we are looking for contributions of new or used toys (they must be in working condition) to give to children.

We will collect the food and toys during the months of November and December. All the items are then given to the local Salvation Army for distribution to all those families that need them.

Please give from your heart and help someone this year. Food and toys will be collected at the next two RNA monthly meetings or they can be dropped off at **170 Ogden Avenue**. Please call Maria at **659-2245, after 6 PM** to arrange for the drop-off.

RNA will be holding its annual **HOLIDAY PARTY** at its December 13th meeting. All our members, neighbors and friends are invited to toast the holidays with RNA. By member mandate, no RNA business will be discussed - at least, officially. This is the time to just enjoy each other's company. To make this party a success, RNA asks all those who are planning to attend to bring some holiday treat (preferably home-made) or softdrink to share with RNA.

Update:Riverview-Fisk Park

As everyone no doubt already knows, the RNA Fall Fleamarket was an unqualified success. Despite rain and other various obstacles, the Park Committee cleared several hundred dollars in profit - all of which will be put back into Riverview-Fisk Park. Congratulations to first-time Fleamarket chairperson Clare Archer and her volunteers for making the occasion profitable and fun for everyone involved.

RNA was responsible for some very big changes in the Park this year. Next year promises to be even bigger and better. The Park Committee is seeking suggestions from the neighborhood about ways in which

the Park could be safer and more beautiful in 1995. In particular, we are interested in ideas concerning the use of the proposed fenced-in community garden to be located across from the basketball court on the western side of Ogden Avenue.

The Park Committee had a lot of good times in the Park in 1994 and the neighborhood has been improved as a result. There were many successes this year, particularly in terms of volunteer efforts from non-RNA members, and also in the respect shown to the flower gardens - none of which were damaged.

There were a couple of disappointments, however. One was the recent theft of donated rose bushes from the center garden. The other is the persistent and continuing vandalism of the enter garden's wooden fences. These fences will have to be replaced with something more sturdy. Anyone with knowledge about Park theft or vandalism is encouraged to report it to the police. I have personally interceded in many instances of Park vandalism this year and not once was I threatened or harmed. Don't be afraid to politely tell someone to please not destroy the Park. They know that it's a stupid thing to do and can usually be reasoned with.

Which brings me to my main point. Where are the police after dark? Why are people allowed to congregate at the center garden every night? Why it is only against the law if we complain? Why isn't it against the law every night? I called the police at least 20 times this summer about loose pit-bulls in the Park. Not one person received a ticket. This Park is visible and accessible to the police from every direction. So why won't the police keep it cleared after dark?

In order to combat vandalism, there needs to be more vigilance and involvement from the residents on the Park's periphery. But there can only be so much expected from the community when the police choose not to enforce the law. I repeat, this Park is accessible to the police from every direction. Vandalism is inevitable when people are allowed to congregate, drink and do drugs all night - every night. The police have more important things to do than protect flowers. This will always be our responsibility. But this neighborhood is not a ghetto or a housing project. Drug dealing, drinking, loose pit bulls and the rest are activities that stand out here - its obvious to everyone. So why do the police ignore it?

The integrity of the Park is a major quality of life issue for this community. A park's level of maintenance sets the standard for the lowest acceptable conditions in a neighborhood. Our Park is no different. Many people - even a few RNA members would like to see the Park deteriorate. This happens with other parks and other block associations. Some people just have a need to passively watch everything fall part. These negative and passive people do as much harm as the vandals and criminals. Fortunately, it takes only a couple of visible and vocal citizens to prevent a neighborhood from sliding into chaos. With the loss of Ted Conrad, RNA will need to redouble its efforts in the coming year to keep the community changing for the better. Anyone with ideas about how this can be accomplished is encouraged to join RNA, get involved, or just write us your suggestions.

Once again, thanks to everyone who helped make the Park beautiful this year. Next year's goal is for Riverview-Fisk Park to be the safest, most beautiful, best maintained park in the City. See you there!

Greg Brickey, Vice-Chair

(The following is the proposed list of plants and flowers to be planted in Riverview-Fisk Park in the fall and next spring by the Park Committee.)

1) **Three (3) Yucca Filamentosa** for the center of the island that stands alone on Ogden Avenue, off Griffith Street- across from the basketball courts. These plants are a tough evergreen surviving well in poor soil and droughts. They slowly block out weeds with their underground root system. They have tall white bell-shaped flowers in June.
2) **One hundred (100) mixed color bluebells (scilla)** and **50 lily of the valley (convallaria)** to be used liberally around the landscaped berne off Ogden Avenue, across from the basketball court. Lily of the valleys are hardy little plants, coping well in shady areas and cold. Like the bluebells, they will naturalize in the area and survive picking.
3) Approximately **one hundred (100) species tulips - pulchella persian pearl** and **one hundred (100) Darwin early crossed tulips - Peerless pink** - will be used for the center gardens. The species tulips were chosen because of their hardiness and ability to repeat their performance year after year. They also are not favored by squirrels as food. The variety - pulchella pearl - was chosen for its short flower (6"), making them less desirable to be picked by casual admirers. The taller tulip - peerless pink - will be a "classic" tulip placed in the center of the islands, more out of the reach of casual hands.
4) Depending on the cost, between **10-12 David Austen shrub roses** will be purchased in the spring. Sadly, they are now unavailable till then , but we have been assured that planted in the spring, they will flower in the summer. These will be planted behind and around the landscaped berne area. These shrub roses are scented. They have super strong resilience - needing minimal to no-care and they will grow in a wider variety of conditions, not requiring the tender care of some of the hybrids.

Clare Archer

FALL CLEAN-UP

RNA has arranged with the Jersey City Incinerator Authority to have two dumpsters placed in our neighborhood for the weekend of November 18th. The purpose of this activity is to allow the local residents to throw out their garbage and debris that are not able to be discarded on a normal garbage pick-up.

The dumpsters will be delivered on **Friday, November 18th** and will be picked up on Monday, November 21st. One dumpster will be placed on **Ferry Street between Ogden and Palisade Avenues.** The second dumpster will be located on **South Street between Ogden And Palisade Avenues.**

There are a few rules to be aware of when using these dumpsters. Only residential material can be placed in them: no construction materials. Professional or

construction companies cannot use these dumpsters. We ask that you place your items in a neat and orderly fashion - filling the dumpsters from the back first. This is to maximize their use and not have material hanging out or left on the side of the dumpsters.

RNA has a policy of arranging for four dumpster weekends throughout the year to accommodate the needs of the residents. Each weekend there will be two dumpsters placed on different streets in our neighborhood.

1994 Leaf Collection Schedule

The Jersey City Incinerator Authority has scheduled the following Thursdays for leaf collection in our community:

November 3	December 1
November 17	December 15
November 30	December 29

Leaves must be placed in the biodegradable brown bags that the JCIA is providing at their offices - free of charge. Absolutely, no plastic bags may be used for leaves! For more information, call 432-4645, ext. 38.

HOBOKEN'S LRT ALIGNMENT

(The following letter was sent to NJ Transit announcing RNA's position concerning the preferred western alignment for the Hoboken Light Rail Transit.)

Riverview Neighborhood Association favors the westerly alignment option for the Light Rail Transit (LRT) system to be built in the City of Hoboken.

Riverview Neighborhood Association is a community-based organization located in Jersey City Heights along the eastern slope of the Palisades. Our boundaries are Ogden And Palisade Avenues from Cuneo Place to Congress Street. We have approximately 100 voting members and a monthly newsletter circulation of over 250 people throughout Jersey City and the State of New Jersey. We have been in existence for ten years. (The Heights is a community located in the northern section of Jersey City extending from the State Highway on the south to the Union City border on the north, Tonnelle Avenue on the west and Patterson Plank Road on the east.)

Our group has continuously discussed this mass transit project because two of our members, the late Ted Conrad and Vito Brunetti, were citizen members of the AA/DEIS Waterfront Advisory Committee for the Hudson River Waterfront Transportation Corridor Project. On October 11, 1994 Riverview Neighborhood Association voted unanimously to support the western alignment for the LRT.

Although options for the LRT alignments and station locations are being "hotly" debated for Downtown Jersey City, the final determination for the Hoboken alignment will effect the Heights community more directly. These two alignment options are either a route along the east, near the Hudson River Waterfront or an alignment on the western edge of Hoboken, generally along the Conrail River Line.

It is important to realize that the westerly alignment would be more beneficial to the Heights community and Union City above the Palisades because then the LRT would be closer and more convenient for these communities to utilize as mass transit. The westerly alignment can also help revitalize the western side of Hoboken, which, at present, is primarily made up of the Hoboken Housing Projects, industrial lands and ungentrified residential neighborhoods. Therefore it seems that the placement of the LRT along the Palisades would benefit Jersey City Heights, Union City and Hoboken. In contrast, the easterly option would just exasperate an already overdeveloped and congested area of Hoboken.

Of course, with a westerly alignment, there would be the need for access to the LRT stations located along the Palisades. A series of stairs or escalators would have to be built to transport people to and from the Heights and Union City to the LRT below.

The westerly alignment would allow our Heights community to be part of and take advantage of this modern mass transit system. It will allow the Heights to be better integrated into Hudson County as we enter the 21st century.

Therefore, Riverview Neighborhood Association joins with the Coalition for a Better Waterfront and the Hoboken Environment Committee to advocate a westerly alignment for the LRT that will run through Hoboken.

POLICE BEAT:

Community Service Police Officers Andrew Lancellotti and John Curtis request that any citizen that has a problem, a safety concern or knowledge of criminal activity, should contact them at **547-5350** (to leave a message for them at the North District station's frontdesk) or **547-5719** (to leave a message on their voice mail). They usually respond to these messages on a daily basis. When leaving a message, include your name, telephone number, street address, the nature of the problem and a date and time of the message. All calls will be kept confidential.

COMMUNITY NEWSLETTERS

Within the last month, RNA has received issues of four different newsletters concerning local activities in Jersey City and Hudson County. If anyone is interested in getting on their mailing lists, they can be contacted as follows:

a) **ON THE MOVE**, a newsletter published by the Jersey City Economic Development Corporation, 601 Pavonia Avenue, J.C., N.J., 07306.

b) **ENCORE**, a Friends of the Loew's Publication, P.O. Box 3033, J.C., N.J., 07303

c) **HUDSON COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY**, call the Hudson County Recycling Hotline: 1-800-540-0987.

d) **CENTRAL AVENUE NEWS**, a publication of the Central Avenue Special Improvement District, 366 Central Avenue, Room 201, J.C., N.J. 07307 (tel. # 656-1366.

Bulletin board

HOLIDAY RECIPES

From Valerie's Kitchen:

(This month, we present several holiday recipes contributed by our members.)

Valerie's Pumpkin Pie

Taken from Fanny Farmer's Cookbook.

INGREDIENTS:

- 9 inch pastry pie shell
- 1 cup of sugar
- 1/2 teaspoon of salt
- 1 1/2 teaspoon of cinnamon
- 1/2 teaspoon of powdered sugar
- 1 1/2 cups of cooked or canned pumpkin (mashed or pureed)
- 1 1/2 cup of evaporated milk
- 1/2 cup of milk
- 2 eggs, slightly beaten

1) Preheat oven to 425 degrees.
2) Line a 9-inch pie pan with the pastry dough.
3) Combine the ingredients in a large bowl and beat until smooth.
4) Pour into the lined pie pan.
5) Bake for ten minutes, then lower the heat to 300 degrees and bake for about 45 minutes until the filling is firm.

Jewish Apple Cake

An original recipe by Catherine Boesch.

INGREDIENTS:

- 3 cups of flour
- 4 eggs
- 3 teaspoons of baking powder
- 1 cup of oil
- 1/3 cup of orange juice
- 2 1/2 teaspoon of vanilla
- 3 medium apples

1) Apples should be peeled and cored and sliced roughly into 12 slices per apple.
2) Shift flour, baking powder and 1 1/2 cups of sugar together.
3) Make an indentation in the center of this dry mix and add orange juice, eggs, oil and vanilla. Mix until smooth.
4) Grease a 9- or 10-inch tube pan.
5) Put a layer of batter, then a layer of apples - alternating three times and ending with apples on the top. (The batter for this cake is small, so be careful when alternating batter - use sparingly to get three layers.)
6) Mix 1/2 cup of sugar and a teaspoon of cinnamon. Put this between the layers - on top of the apples.
7) Bake one hour and 14 minutes at 350 degrees F. (It may take a little longer to bake.)

Valerie's Bread Stuffing

A pleasant basic stuffing. Taken from Fanny Farmer's Cookbook.

INGREDIENTS:

- 1/4 stick of butter
- 4 tablespoons of finely chopped onion
- 4 tablespoons of finely chopped celery
- 4 cups of dry bread crumbs
- Salt and pepper to taste

1) Melt the butter in a skillet and stir in the onion and celery.
2) Cook over low heat until the onion is soft.
3) Add this mixture to the crumbs and toss lightly.
4) Add salt and pepper.

NOVEMBER

November is a beautiful month.
Pumpkins, gourds, turkey, pumpkin pie and apple cider.
Beautiful colored leaves covering the earth.
Enjoy Thanksgiving!
And the best way to remember its meaning is
by helping feed the homeless.

Madeline Rea

Join RNA & Get Involved

Keeping a neighborhood association functioning requires the active participation of its members. Annual membership dues are $5 per person - which entitles you to nine issues of our newsletter, and voting privileges in RNA, if you live within the boundaries. Bring your dues to the next meeting, or make your check payable to RNA and mail it to 232 Ogden Avenue. RNA appreciates your support!

CONTRIBUTE TO YOUR NEWSLETTER

RNA is always soliciting material for the RNA newsletter. We are interested in anything you as our readers want to discuss. Would you like to complain about or praise something? How about suggestions to help improve our neighborhood or City?

There's always a recipe to share with us. Creative writing is always wanted - whether it is a poem, a short story or a memory about a local event or person.

Drop off contributions at 170 Ogden Ave. or in the mailbox, attached to the gate, at 232 Ogden Ave. Mark the envelope, "RNA NEWSLETTER." The next deadline is **Friday, November 25, 1994.**

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holiday recipes, contributed by
our members.)

COME TO OUR NEXT RNA MEETING ON
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8th at 7:15 PM

RIVERVIEW NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

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Harbor View Holiday Party

The RNA Holiday Party for the residents of the Harbor View Health Care Center will be held on Friday, November 18, 1994 from 2:00 to 4:00 PM. Volunteers are needed to help with the party and should be at the Center at 1:00 pm to set up.

Entertainment will be provided by Frank Frega, the pianist and Tony Scarpa, the magician.

Volunteers and/or contribute homemade baked goods - preferably dietetic items because of the restricted diets of the residents. These items can be dropped off at 220 Ogden Avenue the night before or at the Harborview the day of the party.

RNA is also asking for donations of complementary toilet articles - men's and women's - to make up gift baskets for the residents. These items can be brought to the November meeting.

Please contribute in any way you can - volunteering time, baked goods or gifts - for this worthy cause. It is RNA's way of thanking our neighbors at Harbor View for letting us hold our meetings in their house.